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#### Poetry.

Republished by Request. THE CHRISTMAS PRAYER.

A BEAUTIFUL POEM OF CHRISTMAS EVE.

Twas the eye before Christmas; "Good night" had been said,

And Annie and Willie had crept into bed; There were tears on their pillows, and tears in

their eyes, And each little bosom was heaving with sighs For to-night their stern father's command had been given

That they should retire, precisely at seven, Instead of eight; for they troubled him more With questions unheard of, than ever before; He had told them he thought the delusion a sin, No such person as Santa Claus ever had been, And hoped after this he nevermore should hear How he scrambled down chimneys with pres-

ents each year. And this was the reason that two little heads So restlessly tossed on their soft, downy bed. Eight, nine and the clock on the steeple tolled

Not a word had been spoken by either till then When Willie's sad face from the blanket did

And whispered "Dear Annie, is you fast asleep?" "Why no, brother Willie," a sweet voice re-

"I've tried all in vain, but I can't shut my eyes For somehow it makes me so sorry because Dear papa has said there is no 'Santa Claus. Now we know there is, and it can't be denied For he came every year before mamma died; But then I've been thinking that she used to

And God would hear everything mamma would say, And perhaps she asked Him to send Santa

Claus here With the sack full of presents he bought every

year." "Well, why tant we p'ay dest as mamma did And ask God to send him with presents aden?

"I've been thinking so, too." And without Four little bare feet bounded out on the floor And four little knees the soft carpet pressed,

And two tiny hands were clasped close to each breast. 'Now, Willie, you know we must firmly be

That the presents we ask for we're sure to receive. You must wait just as still till I say the 'amen,' And by this you'll know that your turn has

come then.

Dear Jesus, look down on my brother and me. And grant us the favor we're seeking of Thec. I want a wax dolly, a tea-set and ring, And an ebony work-box that shuts with spring;

Bless papa, dear Jesus, and cause him to see That Santa Claus loves us far better than he Don't let him get fretful and angry again At dear brother Willie and Annie, Amen." "Please Desus, let Tanta Taus tum down tonight. And b'ing us some p'esents before it is light

I want he should dive me a nice 'ittle s'ed, With bright shinin' 'unners all painted 'ed; A box full of tandy, a book and a toy, Amen, and den Desus, I'll be dood boy." Their prayers being ended they raised up their

heads. And with hearts light and cheerful, again sought their beds. They were soon lost in slumber both peaceful

and deep, And with fairies in dream-land were roaming in sleep. Eight, nine, and the little French clock had

struck ten,4

Ere the father had thought of his children again; He seems now to hear Annie's half suppress'd sighs. And to see the big tears stand in Willie's blue

"I was harsh with my darlings," he mentally said, "And should not have sent them so early to

bed. But then I was troubled, my feelings found vent. For bank stock to-day has gone down ten pe

cent. But of course they've forgot their troubles ere this

And that I denied them the thrice asked for kiss: But just to make sure, I'll steal up to the door, For I ne'r spoke harsh to my darlings before."

So saying, he softly ascended the stairs, And arrived at the door to hear both of their prayers. His Annie's "bless papa" draws forth the big

And Willie's grave promise falls sweet on his cars. 'Strange, strange I'd forgotten," said he with a sigh, "How I longed when a child, to have Christ-

tears,

the street.

'twas stowed.

mas draw nigh; I'll atone for my harshness," he inwardly said "By answering their prayers ere I sleep in my bed."

Then he turned to the stairs, and softly wen

down, Threw off velvet slippers and silk dressing gown, Donned hat, coat and boots, and was out in

Nor stopped he until he had bought every thing, From a box full of candy to the tiny gold ring. Indeed, he kept adding so much to his store,

A millionaire facing the cold, driving sleet.\*

That the various presents outnumbered a score Then homeward he turned with his holiday load. And with Aunt Mary's help in the nursery

By the side of a table, spread out for the tea. A work-box well filled, in the center was laid, And on it a ring, for which Annie had prayed. A soldier in uniform stood by a sled With bright shining runner, and all painted

Miss Dolly was seated beneath a pine tree

red. There were bails, dogs and horses, books pleasing to see, exchanges in bed. He finds
And birds of all colors were perched in the tree 'easiest way to fill up his sheets.

While Santa Claus, laughing, stood up in the

top,
As if getting ready more presents to drop. And as the fond father the picture surveyed, He thought for his trouble he'd amply been paid And he said to himself as he brushed off a tear, "I'm happier to-night than I've been for a year; I've enjoyed more true pleasure than ever be-

forc. What care I if bank stock fall ten per cent more Hereafter I'll make it a rule, I believe, To have Santa Claus visit us each Christn

Eve." So thinking, he gently extinguished the lights And tripped down the stairs to retire for the

As soon as the beams of the bright morning sun Put the darkness to flight, and the stars, one by one, Four little blue eyes out of sleep opened wide

And at the same moment the presents espled. Then out of their beds they sprang with a bound And the very gifts prayed for were all of them

They laughed and they cried in their innocen-And shouted for "papa" to come quick and see What presents old Santa Claus brought in the

(Just the things that they wanted) and left before light,

"And now," added Annie, in a voice soft and low. "You'll believe there's a Santa Olaus, papa,

know." While dear little Willie climbed up on his knee Determined no secret between them should be And told in soft whispers how Annie had said That their blessed mamma, so long ago dead, Used to kneel down and pray by the side of her chair,

And that God, up in heaven, had answered her prayer;

Then we dot up and prayed dest as well as we tould. And Dod answered our prayers. Now wasn't He dood?" "I should say that He was, if he sent you all

these, And knew just what presents my children would please. Well, well, let him think so, the dear little elf, 'Twould be cruel to tell him I did it myself." Blind father! Who caused your stern heart to

And the hasty word spoken so soon to repent? Twas the Being who bade you steal softly up And made you His agent to answer their

### OIL NEWS.

prayers.

FOURTH SAND NEWS-PETROLIA.

The Tack & Moorhead well which has been flowing ten days is still yielding about three hundred barrels daily. The Morgan well, struck Wednesday of last week, is making 600 bar-

The Pawnee No. 1, struck Friday of last week, is good for 500 barrels per

McDonald No. 2, struck last Satur-

day, resumed drilling Tuesday, with a production of 400 barrels per day. Ralph Bros. & Riddle No. 1 was through the stray Tuesday last, with fair prospects of finishing this week. Arrangements are being made to drill

drilling to the fourth sand Tuesday The Morrison well is drilling to the

fourth sand. The Rodgers well, the first fourth sand strike in the vicinity, is still producing 175 barrels per day

been producing 800 barrels per day, is now doing but half this amount. A. W. Say's well started off at a production of 1100 barrels per day. It

s now down to 600 barrels. Nesbit & Lardin's No. 3 is producing 300 barrels daily. Nesbit & Lardin's well on the Pat-

ton farm, has settled down from 1,000 barrels to 600 barrels per day. McDonald is drawing the tubing in his No. 1, preparatory to drill to the

fourth sand next week.

barrels per day.

Nesbit & Lardin have nine wells which they will drill to the fourth sand. The Jennings well, at Petrolia, has a dangerous rival in the Hoffman & Russell well, on the M'Climond farm at Karns City. This well was drilled from the third to the fourth sand, increasing its production from almost

day it began to flow. The old Thorne well, near Buena Vista, struck last winter, is still producing over one hundred barrels a

The Forest well, at Buena Vista, is pumping one hundred barrels daily .-The well was struck last spring. [Independent.

A lazy editor in Obio reads all his exchanges in bed. He finds it the

## Debt and Dishonesty.

One who is anxious to discover the

causes and remedies for the prevailing

ack of honesty, traces the latter to the credit system as well as the finan. cial calamities now upon us. A thousand honest men are put at the mercy of a single dishonest man to pay his debts. If the one pockets his money and refuses to pay, he deprives a thousand who are anxious to do so. The best way to get capital, is to work for it. Work for wages till you have money of your own. To use another's capital, if you lose it you must replace it. When a man finds he owes more than he can pay, he begins to inquire how he can get rid of his debt. If all he has will not pay all he owes, then less than all, he thinks, will pay a part, and he hides a portion, or all, from creditors. Learn to make money a year before you spend it, then you will buy less and buy cheaper. Other things being equal, dishonesty prevails in proportion to the facilities for escaping obligations. The wise man has said that the "borrower is a servant to the lender," and he ought to be till he returns what he has borrowed. When one has had the benefit of another's labor, property, person, skill, and all, are bound for the equivalent. The ancient Roman and Jewish codes held that a man's life and labor should be bound for his debts. This may appear, and sometimes is, severe; but strict justice says, "What doth the Lord thy God require of thee but to do justly?" "Owe no man anything," if you can help it; but if you do, place what you have at the disposal of your creditor till it is paid .- [New

York Express.

We bought a new dog this spring, but the speculation was not thoroughly successful. The man who brought him around turned him lose in the yard, and then left. When we went out to get acquainted with him he was engaged in exploring the slop-bucket with his nose, and as we approached he increly glanced around and growled. We attempted to pat him on the head, and then he suddenly dropped a mouthful of meat, and took three or four earnest snaps at our hand and leg. We were a fraid somebody would steal him, so we enticed him that evening into the kitchen with a bone, and locked him in. He scratched the door and howled all night, and breakfast was late in the morning because he wouldn't let the hired giri come into the kitchen. When we got him into the yard, we found that he had upset Nos. 2 and 3 to the fourth sand also. the bread that was rising, and had Mr. Bond's well, formerly known knocked eight plates off of the dresser, as the Bond & Green well, commenced during his nocturnal skirmishes. The next evening we felt as if we would prefer that somebody would steal him, and we locked him out. He amused himself that night scratching at the door to get in, and howling. He can howl more effectually than any other dog we ever met. You would have The Harrington well, which has thought we had a menagerie in the yard, if you could have heard him .-That day he killed the pet cat, belonging to Smith next door, and removed a couple of mouthfuls from the leg of Chubb's boy, who came over into our vard after his ball. Then he tore one of the sheets from the clothes-line, and gamboled with it until it was reduced to rags. When the ash-man came, in the afternoon, he had a dog, and our dog after a few sociable sniffs organized a combat with the ash-man's dog, and they rolled over and over a-The Jennings well is making 1,000 mong our tulips and hyacinths for half an hour, taking nips out of each other and scattering hair about by the handful. On towards evening he had a fit on a pillow-case which was bleaching on the grass-plat; and just as we were sitting down to tea a policeman arrived with a warrant, sworn out by Chubb, for our arrest for keeping a ferocious animal upon our premises. We went around and paid the fine; and that nothing to fifteen hundred barrels a night our house was robbed, and the day. The striking of this immense dog kept perfectly still till morning, spouter created much excitement in although we bought him for the very Karns City, and hundreds of sightpurpose of scaring off burglars. Anyseers visited the well Tuesday last, the body who wants to buy a dog, may have ours cheap. We will sell him at a sacrifice.

> We are told of a farmer of Auglaize county, who, when about to pass that narrow strip that divides the heavenly land from ours, was asked if he wouldn't have a certain one present to pray for him. "No, sir," replied the dying man; "I am a dyed-in-thewool granger, and want no middle

man between me and my Maker."